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REPORT

OF THE

TERRITORIAL LIBRARIAN

For the Year Ending
November 30, 1902.

REPORT.

TERRITORY OF NEW MEXICO,
OFFICE OF THE LIBRARIAN,
SANTA FE, N. M., December 19, 1902.

To the Governor:

SIR:—Responding to your written request of the 13th, inst., for a report of the transactions in my office during the fiscal year ending November 30, 1902, and for a letter setting forth any recommendations I may care to have inserted in your message to the incoming legislature, I have to recall the fact that, since the passage of the act of February 1889, creating a board of trustees for the Territorial Library and conferring upon it the sole management, control and supervision of said library with full and complete management of all its financial affairs, the office of librarian has become that of mere custodian of the library and of the books, archives and other property committed to his charge, and it is as such custodian only that I now respond:

During the last fiscal year the library has accumulated over 600 additional law books, about 350 of which were by purchase through the board of trustees of the library, the rest by courtesy of exchange with the several states and territories, bringing the library up to a condition worthy of the Territory.

As to the Compiled Laws of 1897 committed to the charge of the librarian, the territorial treasurer during the fiscal year aforesaid, sold 62 volumes, which were delivered to the several purchasers on the order of said treasurer.

The Mexican archives in charge of the librarian are still in-tact, in the condition in which I received them, and are placed in a fire-proof room where they are always accessible on proper application.

As to the letter asked for in your said communication, I can only say that I have no recommendations to which I desire to call your attention.

Respectfully Submitted,

L. EMMETT.

Territorial Librarian.